REMARKS

The status of the claims are as follows. Claims 1 and 5-22 are pending in the application. Claims 5, 10-18, and 20 are withdrawn from consideration. Claim 22 is cancelled herein.

Claims 1, 6-9, 19 and 21 are allowed. Applicant gratefully acknowledges said allowance. In the Final Office Action, claim 22 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being unpatentable over Ligon, Sr. et al. (U.S. Patent # 5,518,294). Claim 22 is herein cancelled.

CONCLUSION

Based on the preceding amendment, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1, 6-9, 19, and 21 and the entire application meet the acceptance criteria for allowance and therefore request favorable action. If the Examiner believes anything further would be helpful to place the application in better condition for allowance, Applicant invites Examiner to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

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